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Family record of

Prince Haskell
and his decendants

Arranged in June 1884 by
Albert T. Nye

Deposition of Prince Haskell to secure a pension. This may certify that I Prince Haskell of Barnard in the year 1780 on the 9th day of August 1780. I was at work on my land in Barnard alone then a frontier town in the state of Vermont. That the indians from Canada came and took me as prisoner, carried me to Canada. They took from me seven or eight hundred dollars of money. All of my clothing and surviving instruments. When I arrived at Montreal I was taken before the superintendant of Indian affairs I was examined where I was taken what my employment was. I gave suitable answers accordingly. Then the indians took me to their house or wigwam rendezvous and the keeper of the house says to me you are a prisoner are you. I replied I am. He says what is your damned rebellious congress going to do? Are they going to surrender or are they determined to stand out. I said as long as there is a drop of blood in our veins we will not surrender, what do you think do you expect to conquer us. We replied God dam you you have no business to enquire of me. I replied I have as much right as you have of me. I went with the indians to their town returned to Montreal nearly the last of August and was confined in the Povo Goal. The captain of the povo came in one night and enquired of the sergeant. (We being a hessian could not understand.) Was there been a rebel prisoner put in today. The captain then turned to me said Mr. Haskell has there been a rebel prisoner put in to the goal to day. I replied no, may it please your honor there has been an American prisoner. The captain said I ask your pardon I don't mean to cast any reflections. Was he had any thing to eat. I said we have fed him sufficiently for the night. We said you shall be paid in the morning. I called the captain a worthy man. He always treated me with all kindness his situation would permit.

The spirit manifested by many of the prisoners of their spirit of independence was in my opinion much use to their obtaining their liberty. There was in my opinion much use to their obtaining their liberty. There was a man put into the goal he being in the British service, was a Tory from New York. We went before the general to be examined and was ordered back. We insisted not to be confined in the povo the general enquired his reason. He said them rebels called him a traitor to his country, a horse thief. The general turned to the povo master and said to him, put them fellows in irons. We prisoners heard the whole story before the povo master came in soon after he came in and said. Well my lads I have got to put three or four of you in irons. I rose up and said I suppose I am one I understand that man that went to be examined before the general said we called him a traitor and horse thief and many other bad names.

I acknowledged we did and then told the captain how we were abused. That man called us damned rebels and said we should be hanged and the damned rebel congress should be hanged and abused us two or three days then we turned on him and what one could not think of the others could and we succeeding in making him hold his tongue and now sir if we must wear irons for that slipping my hands down on my legs, we have got the legs able to wear them. The povo master then said I will not put any of you in irons for the present, if you will behave for the future. I replied sir, you may depend we will behave well in the future if we are well treated but to be abused as that man abused us our tongues are our own and we shall retort, Sometime in the last of August while I was in jail in the 1781, under the treaty of the Governor of Vermont there was an exchange of prisoners with the British Government of Canada and I was exchanged and a number more taken from adjoining towns. In the fall of the year 1780. I frequently saw them in Canada. Members of them are now living.

If my sufferings as a prisoner and the losses I sustained will have any bearing on the bounty of my country. I should be willing to receive it it cannot I feel willing justice should govern it in all cases.

With respect I subscribe myself. Prince Haskell

The foregoing was written out when Prince Haskell applied for a pension in 1832.

The memorial of Prince Haskell

- 1st. This may certify that I Prince Haskell of Barnard in the county of Windsor and State of Vermont in the year 1775 then a resident of Hardwick Worsister County State of Massachusetts. I enlisted in Capt Hazeteons company as drummer. I believe in Col. Fellows regiment. I believe in Gen. Wardsbrigade in Massachusetts line for the term of eight months. Stationed at Roxberry until after the battle of Bunker Hill, then went to Dorchester in the regiment I served in the company until the first of January 1776.
- 2nd. Then there was a request for as many to serve one other month as could until the army could be recruited. I served one other month who my captain was I cannot recollect, and then returned home to Hardwick. Received my pay from Massachusetts in all for nine months.
- 3rd In the year 1776 there was a call for men for four months to March to Ticonderoga. One Deacon Paige was called on. He came to my father and begged with him for me to go in his room which I did and served as drummer until December and then returned home, received four months pay from Massachusetts, served in Capt. Hambletons company and Col. Brewers regiment I believe in August in the year 1777, at the alarm of Bennington battle Capt Timothy Paige of Hardwick called for volunteers on horse back, to go to Bennington. I went to Bennington and then returned to Hardwick received ten days pay.
- 4th As soon as I got home there was a call for men to go to the West to stop the British from going down North river. I enlisted for three months as drummer I believe in Capt. Craffords company and Col. Cushings regiment and had the good fortune to see John Burgoyne surrender his army. Our service not completed Gen. Warners brigade of which I was one went down North river toward N. Y. as far as White Plains and served there until December making three months service in Massachusetts line. In the whole sixteen months and ten days. My parents told me that I was born Rochester Massachusetts state, in the year 1758, on the 26th day of April. After the surrender of Burgoyne there seemed to be some respite in the northern states from invasion. I considered the losses of paper money. I betook myself to the farming interest. I went to the state of Vermont purchased 100 acres of land on credit the continental money was quite depreciated. In the year 1779 I surveyed for the proprietor of Barnard, made my pritch of land 100 acres and began to clear the land and in the 1780 whilst falling the trees on the 9th day of August Canida took hold of me before I saw them and took between seven and eight hundred dollars in money all my clothing surveying instruments and books also my writing. Carried me to Montral there I was examined by Col Campbell the british agent for indian affairs. The indians then carried me to Ccehnasatogue, and indian town about forty miles from Montreal. I tarried there about fifteen days was then sent to Montreal and confined in Montreal povoe until the 15th of next July. I then obtained liberation from gole through the influence of Col. Stacy an American prisoner but my liberation was so restretd that in one month I chose rather to be confined than to (if it may be called enjoy) enjoy such liberty. However in Sept. 1781 by the then Govener Chittenden of Vermont I was exchanged and returned to my country and friends and have remained in Barnard ever since. By hard labor and industry I have supported myself. Now I am past labor and a very expensive family by reason of sickness and a heavy misfortune by a great over flow of water renders my living without labor somewhat precarious.

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Edward Wilder "Great Grandfather of Leah Wilder consort of Prince Haskell". Died October 18, 1690

Edward Wilders wife died June 9, 1692

Jabez Wilder grandfather of Leah Wilder died May 24, 1731 Age 76 yrs.

Mary Wilder grandmother of Leah Wilder died Feb. 1, 1748 Age 76 yrs.

Edward Wilder father of Leah Wilder died June 31, 1769 Age 67 yrs.

Hannah Wilder mother of Leah Wilder died Mar. 21, 1811 Age 80 yrs.

Brothers and Sister of Leah Wilder Haskell

Joseph Wilder --born June 15, 1755

Franklin Wilder--born Apr. 8, 1781

Joshua Wilder --born June 10, 1785

Deborah Wilder --born May 1, 1787

Tamer Wilder ---born Dec. 8, 1795

Edward Wilder Jr.--born No date

Benjamin Wilder--born No date

CHILDREN OF EDWARD WILDER JR.

Mary Wilder-----born Jan 24, 1778
Ann Wilder-----born Jan 24, 1778
Rachael Wilder-----born Apr. 11, 1779
Crissa Wilder-----born July 30, 1780
Edward Wilder Jr.-----born Oct. 1, 1781
Lewis Wilder-----born Nov. 1, 1782
Merril Wilder-----born Mar. 20, 1784
Moana Wilder-----born Apr. 8, 1785
Joshua Wilder-----born Dec. 12, 1788
Leah Wilder-----born Mar. 12, 1788
Sally Wilder-----born Oct. 24, 1789
Martin Wilder-----born Nov. 1, 1790
Roxana Wilder-----born Nov. 11, 1791
Benjamin Wilder-----born Nov. 22, 1792
Lucinda Wilder-----born Mar. 18, 1795
Amelia Wilder-----born Apr. 13, 1796
Harriet Wilder-----born May 10, 1797
Matilda Wilder-----born Nov. 28, 1799
Twins-----
Hannah Wilder-----Born 1800

Twenty-one Children--Eighteen of them born in 21yrs 10mo. 4day

Nathaniel Osberne Haskell Feb 26, 1731 Hardwick, Mass 1757 Hardwick, Mass Lydia Foster 1823 92
 Lydia Foster 1757 " " Nathaniel O 1776 51

Name	Born	Where	Married	Where	To Whom	Died	Where	Age Y M D
xPrince Haskell Prince Haskell	26 Apr 1758	Rochester Mass	4 Oct 1781	Hingham Mass	Leah Wilder	23 Mar 1841	Peru Ohio	82 10 27
Leah Wilder	13 June 1762	Hingham Mass	4 Oct 1781	"	Prince Haskell	3 May 1848	Peru Ohio	85 10 20
<u>Children</u>								
Edward Wilder	5 June 1782	Hardwick Mass	--	--	--	1 Jan 1785	Hardwick Mass	2 6 26
Deborah	18 Mar 1784	"	6 Sept 1807	Barnard Vt.	Cyrus Lawton	16 Apr 1822	Barnard Mass	38 - 28
Harriet	9 June 1786	Barnard Vt	-	-	--	23 July 1854	Bronson Ohio	68- 14
Prince Jr.	2 May 1778	"	20 Mar 1813	Barnard, Vt	Susan Richardson	16 Jan 1849	Bronson Ohio	60 8 13
Edward Wilder 2nd	29 Sept 1789	Barnard Vt	7 Dec 1815	Barnard Vt	Eluthena Newton	21 Feb 1826	Barnard Vt.	36 4 22
Nathaniel	30 Oct 1791	Barnard	1823	Loudenville Ohio	Hetter A Skinner	30 Sept 1871	Loudenville Ohio	79 11 -
Michael	30 Nov 1793	Barnard	22 Aug 1819	Bethel, Vt	Mary Cleveland	13 Jan 1881	Jefferson Wisc	87 1 13
Le Foster	15 Aug 1796	Barnard	--	--	--	23 Apr 1797	Barnard	1 8 -
Polly	6 Feb 1798	Barnard	--	--	--	2 Sept 1818	Barnard	20 6 -
Adeline	29 Aug 1801	Barnard	31 Mar 1844	Peru Ohio	John D Chilver	1 Mar 1872	Galesburg Ill	71 6 2
Moriah Powers	14 June 1805	Barnard	6 May 1832	Barnard	Alonzo Nye	31 Jan 1886	Bronson Ohio	80 7 17
Husband and wives of the above								
Cyrus Lawton	16 Apr 1786	Barnard	6 Sept 1807	Barnard	Deborah H	16 Jan 1817	Bethel, Vt	30 9 -
Susan Richardson	20 Dec 1782	Barnard	20 Mar 1813	Barnard	Prince Jr	9 June 1850	Bronson Ohio	61
Eluthena Newton	-	Barnard	7 Dec 1815	Barnard	Edward Wilder	-	-	-
Hettie A Skinner	-	Barnard Bt	1823	Loudenville Barnard	O. Nathaniel Joseph Blodgett	24 July 1855	Loudenville	0
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